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STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
ALASKA COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN'S FUND

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Notice of Public Meeting

March 18, 2024

FISHERMEN'S FUND ADVISORY AND APPEALS COUNCIL MEETING

AMENDED NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING: The Alaska Commercial Fishermen's Fund Advisory and Appeals Council spring meeting has been RESCHEDULED from April 8-9, 2024 to Monday, April 22, 2024 and Tuesday, April 23, 2024.

The meeting will be held at the following location:

Commercial Building located at:
1529 Homer Spit Road in the Westward Conference Room
Homer, AK 99603

The meeting will commence in executive session, the Council will review claims for benefits that have not been approved by the Fund Administrator and review claims requesting extension of benefit limits and/or duration of care. Those individuals, who have their claim scheduled for review, have been individually notified of the review.

The business meeting will include a review of the current financial condition of the Fund, policies and regulations governing the administration of the Fund. **The business portion of the meeting open to the public and for public comments will convene Monday, April 22, 2024, from 11:00 am to noon.** Public comments may be made in person at the meeting location noted above or by telephone by calling this toll-free number 1-800-315-6338 and entering the access code 60451 or by Zoom video conference, <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89998273926>, meeting ID 899 9827 3926.

The Fishermen's Fund assists injured and disabled fishermen who have incurred emergency medical costs as a result of occupational injuries and illnesses, up to \$10,000 per injury. It is administered by the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development and is funded by a portion of the revenue derived from commercial fishing license fees.

Individuals or groups of people with disabilities, who require special accommodations, should contact Velma Thomas at 907-465-6045 by 4:30 PM, Friday, April 12, 2024.

Contact Information:

For additional information regarding the Council meeting, please call 907-465-6045 or 1-888-520-2766 or email velma.thomas@alaska.gov.